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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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FOR: DISK REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND DISK REPRODUCING METHOD

Enclosed are:				
$\boxtimes$	70 pages of specification, claims, abstract.			
$\boxtimes$	Declaration and Power of Attorney.			
$\boxtimes$	Priority Claimed.			
	Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-152378			
$\boxtimes$	27 sheets of formal drawing.			
$\boxtimes$	An assignment of the invention to Matsúshita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.			
	and the assignment recordation fee.			
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	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.			
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Independent Claims	4	-3	1	\$80.00	\$80.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s)					\$0.00
Basic Fee					\$710.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$898.00
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